



California State Parks Public Outreach Meetings

California State Parks' Central Valley Vision

"We are embarking on a 20-year effort to study the Central Valley and increase our presence by providing meaningful experiences to meet the needs of Valley residents, and for protection and interpretation of incredible natural, cultural, historical and recreational resources found only in the Valley." Ruth Coleman, Director, California State Parks

State Parks instituted this long-term program to help guide its future development and acquisition program in the Great Central Valley in California's heartland. We want to hear from you. What special areas or facilities would you like considered? Where should we seek to acquire new lands because of their natural, cultural, historical or recreational potential?

Additional public outreach meetings will be scheduled during the fall (watch the Department's web site for additional meetings). Please plan to attend any of the following meetings:

April 27, 2005: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Woodland Opera House
340 2nd Street, Woodland, CA

May 31 2005: 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

C.S.U., Fresno, Student Union
5421 N. Maple Avenue
Fresno, CA

June 1, 2005: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Resources Building Auditorium
1416 9th Street, 1st Floor
Sacramento, CA

June 8, 2005: 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Bidwell Mansion
525 The Esplanade
Chico, CA

Geographically, the Central Valley area ranges from roughly the northern side of the Tehachapi's in the south to Red Bluff in the north, a distance of about 450 miles and encompassing part or all of 18 California counties. It accounts for fifteen million acres, or 15 percent of California's total acreage.

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